FISCAL NOTE

SB 653 - HB 1185

February 22, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts nationally accredited child care centers from participating in the Department of Human Services' environmental rating scales in the mandatory child care agency report card system. Authorizes the Department to establish criteria for accrediting agencies and approve the agencies which are certified to accredit child care centers.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumption:

• The Department of Human Services will amend the Report Card and Star-Quality regulations, policies and procedures. Such changes will not have a significant impact on expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director